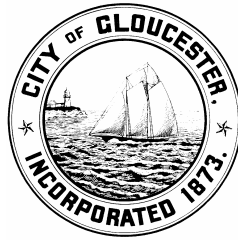


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CITY OF GLOUCESTER
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PUBLIC HEARING on I4-C2
7pm, APRIL 13, CITY HALL

April 1, 2010

Dear Citizens of Gloucester,

I4-C2 is the weed-choked lot on the waterfront between the Building Center and the Gloucester House that has been vacant for 45 years.

We have an opportunity to put the lot into positive and productive use. A proposal is before the City Council to acquire the land using state and local money. The Administration has been going through an exhaustive set of questions with the City Council. The I4-C2 Fact Sheet [is](#) a summary of the questions and answers that have come up.

Why does the city want I4-C2?

- I4-C2 is an eyesore in the heart of our downtown that can be **removed by Memorial Day**. It's an improvement that we can be proud of immediately.
- Gloucester citizens will have better **access to the working waterfront** which is a desire that's been expressed by residents in all neighborhoods from Magnolia to Lanesville.
- Visitors will have a **waterfront "path" to walk** -- down to the I4C2 wharf, over to Harbor Loop or St. Peter's Park and on up to Main Street.
- It will be a **boost for local businesses** and encourage spin-off jobs and investment in the entire downtown area.
- The parcel has the potential to be a **showcase for Gloucester's revitalization**:
 - support for the **fishing industry** with the preservation of the I4C2 wharf and docks for commercial fishing vessels;
 - **public access** to the working waterfront for residents and visitors;
 - a future development related to the **maritime economy** consistent with the Harbor Plan.

Let's not miss this chance to do something great for Gloucester. Come to the Public Hearing on April 13, 2010 at 7pm at City Hall.

Sincerely,

Carolyn A. Kirk

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